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Title : Situation arising out of increase in the height of Sardar Sarovar Dam.

DR. BABU RAO MEDIYAM (BHADRACHALAM): Madam Chairman, I would like to draw the attention of the House to an important issue. Since four days, about 150 people from Gujarat are staying openly at the footpath of the Office of the Ministry of Water Resources. Men, women and children came all the way to Delhi. They are demanding not to raise the height of the Sardar Sarovar Dam. Already 10,000 families were not resettled or rehabilitated. Moreover, the Government of Gujarat is now going ahead with the heightening of the Dam, and it is supposed to inundate about 35,000 families now.

Madam, it is already on record that the hon. Prime Minister of India advised the State Government not to go ahead with the raising of this Dam. Even then, without any permission from the Ministry of Water Resources or the Central Water Commission, they are raising the height of the Dam. Hence, I would urge upon the Central Government to appoint a Committee or a team of Parliamentarians to inspect the site of the dam and help to solve the misery of the people regarding the resettlement and rehabilitation.

There are thousands of villages which are well developed and since decades people are staying there. I would request the Central Government to pursue the matter and to kindly stop raising the height of the Dam for the present.

श्री रतिलाल कालीदास वर्मा (धंधुका) : सभापति महोदया, माननीय सदस्य ने जो विदआउट परमीशन बांध की ऊंचाई बढ़ाने की बात कही है, वह ठीक नहीं है। इसके लिए नर्मदा रेगुलेटरी अथारिटी बोर्ड ने परमीशन दी है। अथारिटी के परमीशन के बाद ही इसकी ऊंचाई 10 मीटर बढ़ाई जा रही है।...(व्यवधान)

सभापति महोदया : माननीय सदस्य ने जो बात कही है वह सरकार के पास जाएगी, आप जो बात कहना चाहते हैं, वह बाद में नोटिस देकर कहिएगा।

...(व्यवधान)

श्री रतिलाल कालीदास वर्मा : सभापति महोदया, माननीय सदस्य जो बात कह रहे हैं, उससे लोगों में गलत संदेश जाएगा।...(व्यवधान)

सभापति महोदया : आप अपनी बात नोटिस देने के बाद कहिए। आपकी कोई बात रिकॉर्ड में नहीं जाएगी।

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